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Attorney General John Ashcroft
US Department of Justice, 950 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW
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Dear Mr. Ashcroft:

I am writing in support of the Microsoft antitrust settlement agreement. As someone who works in the technology industry, I see the benefits of the parties settling this case. Protracted litigation is not in anyone's best interest.

The settlement agreement will mean many changes will be made to the way Microsoft conducts its business. These changes appropriately deal with the concerns raised about anticompetitive behavior on Microsoft's part. By way of example, the settlement agreement will require Microsoft to establish a uniform price list. Microsoft will license Windows to the 20 largest computer makers at the same price. Additionally, Microsoft has agreed not to enter into contracts with third parties that would require that party to exclusively distribute Windows. These types of changes in Microsoft's business practices will help restore fair competition.

I urge the Department of Justice to continue working toward a prompt resolution of this case. Thank you for your time and attention.

Sincerely,



David Burroughs